



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of

Masayasu FUJII et al.

Attn: **Mail Stop Missing Parts**

Application No.: 10/729,900

Filed: December 9, 2003

Docket No.: 118029

For: GROUND JOINT CONNECTOR

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS WITH DECLARATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:


In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (copy attached) mailed on August 16, 2004, submitted herewith is the executed Declaration of the inventors and a Power of Attorney. Any necessary Designation of Ten Attorneys for Power of Attorney or Transmittal of Power of Attorney and Statement Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) is also attached. Any specification attached to and referenced in the Declaration is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the Office in order to obtain a filing date for the application.

Attached is our Check No. 159665 for ☒\$130.00 ☐\$65.00 (entitlement to small entity status is asserted) for the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e).

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notice to File Missing Parts. Accordingly, examination and allowance of this application in due course are respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this paper are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON**

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Sir:

Please substitute the attached 6 sheets of formal drawings depicting Figures 1-6 for the corresponding drawings filed with the application.

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted***Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

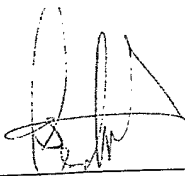
Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

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